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# INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.56

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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The listed document is being submitted in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97(c), before the mailing date of either a final action under 37 CFR §1.113, a notice of allowance under 37 CFR §1.113, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application.

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The document is in English.

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The undersigned hereby states in accordance with 37 CFR §1.97(e)(2) that no item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application and, to the knowledge of the undersigned, after making reasonable inquiry, no item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was known to any individual designated in 37 CFR §1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of the information disclosure statement. In particular, applicants' representative recently discovered that the document cited herein is a U.S. Patent counterpart of a previously cited document (EP 0 464 236 A1). Accordingly, no fee is required.

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